

# Clermont County Local Emergency Planning Committee

# January 25, 2018 Meeting Minutes

Attendees: Mark Baird, Paul Braasch, Mark Day, Lisa Gatwood, Pam Haverkos, Ed Humphrey, Paul Kamphaus, John Kappesser, Tim Kelly, John Kiskaden, Brooke Matzen, Laurie Schlueter, Karl Schultz, John Thebout, and Kathleen Williams. Guests: Chris Badertscher, Phil Clayton, Chris Cox, Dale Farmer, and Shawn Riley

### Call to Order

The meeting began at 1:38 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance and introductions.

### Approval of the Minutes

A motion was made by Karl Schultz and seconded by Brooke Matzen to adopt the minutes from the September 28, 2017 meeting. The motion passed.

### **Ongoing Business**

Spills: 1 spill was reported since September 28, 2017.

• 11/3/17 – 1781 US 52 – Zimmer Power Plant; 5 gallons hydraulic fluid into Ohio River

Information Requests: EMA has received three information requests since September 28, 2017.

- 10/27/17 601 lvy Gateway Union Township Professional Service Industries, Inc.
- 11/16/17 Total Quality Logistics (4289 Ivy Point Blvd. Union Township; 1701 Edison Dr. Miami Township; 4101 Founders Blvd. Batavia Township)
- 1/16/18 6288 Tri-Ridge Blvd. Miami Township Coldwell Banker Richard Ellis

Tier II Reports: 2017 reports due to SERC, the LEPC and the local Fire Departments by March 1, 2018.

**LEPC Exercise**: We are in year 1 of the 4-year exercise cycle. Over the 4-year period, we will need to test all of the 13 objectives at least once and have a minimum of one Full-Scale Exercise. The Exercise Planning Committee met and began planning an Ohio River transporter release tabletop exercise. The objectives to be tested: Incident Assessment, Incident Command, Population Protective Actions, and Emergency Public Information.

The exercise will be held March 21, 2018. A save the date notice will go out to all members and participants in February. The After Action Meeting will be held April 11, 2018 at 1:30 pm in the EOC.

Budget - Copies of the 2017 and 2018 LEPC budgets are attached to the minutes.

## State Emergency Response Commission Grant:

- The SFY18 SERC grant period ends June 30, 2018.
- The SFY19 SERC grant period is July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019. The application is due to SERC by February 1, 2018 and has already been submitted.

# FY15 State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) Grant

The FY15 SHSP grant period was originally scheduled to end March 31, 2018. Due to de-obligated funds, OEMA is offering a special projects grant opportunity to all 88 counties. The grant will close May 31, 2018. This opportunity is limited to portable radios, mobile radios, and in-car repeaters.

EMA reached out to all local public safety agencies and received a large number of requests. The grant requires all equipment be procured, received and paid for by May 31, 2018. There is no opportunity for an extension. This limits our ability to request more than \$49,999.99. EMA has met with the requesting agencies and developed a list to address the immediate needs. EMA will commit to applying for future grant opportunities if they become available.

### FY16 State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) Grant

The FY16 SHSP grant performance period is September 1, 2016 through February 28, 2019. The southwest region was awarded \$535,032.93. Hamilton County EMA is the Grant Administrative Agency. EMA continues to work on the Integrated Alert and Warning System (IPAWS) Project. IPAWS is not a traditional mass notification system. This system will allow us to send wireless emergency alerts to residents and visitors via smartphones in the vicinity of the applicable cell towers as well as transmit to the Emergency Alert System and social media feeds. In order to send messages through IPAWS each County must procure their own IPAWS compatible software.

The SW Ohio region applied for and received funding from the FY16 SHSP to pay for the first year's costs for this software. Beginning in 2018, each County will be responsible for finding funding to cover the software costs. The region has selected Onsolve, CodeRed®. CodeRed will also provide additional functionality to include internal group notifications and a mobile application to share information with the public.

FEMA has strict regulations on how and when the IPAWS system can be used. EMA will be working with the Department of Public Safety Services to set up Standard Operating Guidelines and provide training to all 3 Dispatch Centers.

## FY17 State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) Grant

The FY17 SHSP grant performance period is September 1, 2017 through March 31, 2020. The southwest region is slated to receive \$706,713.45. Hamilton County EMA will be the Grant Administrative Agency.

Project Name	Submitted by:	Disc.	Submission	Funding
Tri-County interoperable radio communications	Brown Co. 9-1-1	COMM	\$97,473.00	\$97,473.00
Regional MCI Trailer Project	HC EMA	EMS	\$26,429.40	\$26,429.40
Command 400 - laptops	GCHMU	FS	\$9,300.00	\$9,300.00
Command 400 - cameras	GCHMU	FS	\$6,282.00	\$6,282.00
Bomb Suit Replacement	BCSO	EOD	\$280,000.00	\$210,000.00
HazMat - Butler / GCHMU	BCEMA	HM	\$130,000.00	\$130,000.00
FTIR Spectroscopy Identifier	CFD	HM	\$76,450.00	\$76,450.00
Scalable Mosaic, X-ray equipment, portable	CFD	EOD	\$105,000.00	\$35,000.00
Wide Area Gas Monitoring	CFD	НМ	\$120,000.00	\$120,000.00
MCI Trauma Bags	BCEMA	EMS	\$80,000.00	\$0.00
Regional EMA Radios	HCEMA	EMA	\$120,000.00	\$0.00
Regional Prophylaxis Cache	CHD	PH	\$140,000.00	\$0.00
Total Requested	•	•	\$1,190,934.40	\$710,934.40

### FY16 & FY17 State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) - Law Enforcement Grant

Hamilton County Sheriff's Office is the Programmatic and Fiscal Agent for the FY16 and FY17 SHSP Law Enforcement Grants. Any law enforcement agencies with project requests can contact Captain Mike Hartzler at the Greater Cincinnati Fusion Center.

#### **New Business**

# Shelter Plan – Warming & Cooling Centers

EMA will be updating the ESF 6: Mass Care Plan to include warming and cooling centers. The American Red Cross is the lead agency for shelter management. The plan will address the criteria for activating shelters. For non-disaster related shelter needs, individuals can be referred to the Clermont County Safety Net Alliance for assistance.

#### **Presentations**

### Annual Review of the Emergency Operation Plan – Base Plan

Pam Haverkos provided a review of the Emergency Operations Plan. A copy of the Clermont County EOP can be found on the EMA website.

### **Department Reports**

Water Resources: Mark Day reported that he is retiring as of March 31, 2018. Randy Davis will now be the primary contact for the Water Resources Department.

**Public Health:** The Southwest Ohio Public Health Region will be holding a regional exercise on February 7, 2018. This will be a Functional Exercise focusing on Community Recovery, Mass Care, Fatality Management, and Non-Pharmaceutical Intervention.

### Ohio EMA

- Ohio EMA is accepting applications for the 2018 Ohio Safe Room Rebate Program. This program allows residents to apply for reimbursement of 75% of the cost, up to \$4,875, to install/construct a tornado safe room. The application is located on the <u>OEMA website</u>.
- DWART (Dangerous Wild Animal Response Team) Sections 935.26, 935.27, & 935.28 of the Ohio Revised Code will be repealed as of 2/20/18. The repeal will disband the Ohio DWART commission, allow the counties to disband the DWART, and removes the County DWART plan requirements. Each dangerous wild animal owner will still be required to register with the State of Ohio and submit an emergency action plan to the local law enforcement agency.
- The HazMat plans from all counties within the region have received SERC concurrence.
- Upcoming Regional LEPC Exercises
  - ☐ Warren County Tabletop Exercise March 15, 2018
  - ☐ Hamilton County Tabletop Exercise May 9, 2018
  - ☐ Montgomery/Greene Counties Full Scale Exercise May 15, 2018.
- The next SERC meeting is scheduled for February 14, 2018.
- Jim Lyle, Highland County EMA Director retired after 27 years on December 31, 2017. Dave Bushelman is the new EMA Director.
- Severe Weather Awareness Week is March 18-24, 2018. The State will be holding the Statewide Tornado Drill at 9:50AM on March 21, 2018.
- The Introduction to Emergency Management Course is scheduled for February 13-16, 2018.
- The Ohio EMA Spring Conference is scheduled for April 17-18, 2018.

#### Clermont EMA

- The current Clermont County Mitigation Plan expires in March of 2019. EMA has applied for a Pre-Disaster Mitigation grant to hire a contractor to facilitate and complete the plan update. Because there will be a tight turnaround time for getting the plan completed, each agency/jurisdiction was encouraged to start looking at the mitigation strategies that are listed in the existing plan.
- DWART EMA will be working on the paperwork to submit to the Board of Commissioners to officially disband the County's DWART.
- School Exercises All schools will be required to complete a functional exercise in 2018. EMA worked with thirteen districts in 2017 to complete tabletop exercises.
- Clermont County will not activating the outdoor warning sirens during the Statewide Tornado Drill on March 21, 2018 at 9:50 am. The outdoor warning sirens are tested the first Wednesday of the month at noon.
- 2018 Weather Spotter Training The Clermont County and Brown County EMAs are holding the Weather Spotter Training on February 20, 2018 from 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM in the Clermont County Engineer's Office Conference Room at 2381 Clermont Center Drive, Batavia, Ohio 45103. To register please call 513-732-7661 or email clermontema@clermontcountyohio.gov.
- Training EMA is working to coordinate E969 Communication Unit Leader Training in 2018.
- Regional Course Offerings To enroll, go to https://trainingcampus.dps.ohio.gov/cm/cm710/pstc/pstc.html
  - ☐ G108 Community Mass Care and Emergency Assistance, February 13-14, 2018 @ Nathanael Greene Lodge
    ☐ G235 Emergency Planning, March 6-7, 2018 @ Nathanael Greene Lodge
    ☐ ICS 300, April 9, 11, 16, 18, & 23, 2018 @ Monroe Fire Department Station #62 (Middletown)
  - L146 Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation Program (HSEEP), April 24-26, 2018 @ Symmes Township Safety Center.
  - ☐ ICS 400, May 9, 14, 16 & 21, 2018 @ Monroe Fire Department Station #62 (Middletown)

**Ohio EPA:** The Ohio EPA, ORSANCO and OKI have been working on the Ohio River Mapping Project. Ohio EPA has identified all locations on the Ohio River where large spills could be contained including booming, equipment staging, etc. OKI is working to establish an a mobile application. This information is currently on RAVEN and the USEPA website, but private sector partners do not have access. This new platform is slated to be up and running in Spring 2018.

Duke Energy: Duke has approximately 220 crews in Puerto Rico to assist with utility restoration from Hurricane Maria.

**Greater Cincinnati HazMat Unit:** An activity report for GCHMU and Command 400 was provided (attached). If any agency is interested in HazMat training, please contact GCHMU.

### **Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be April 26, 2018 at 1:30 p.m. in the Emergency Operation Center.

# Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:56 PM